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SUBJECT: AVIATION: GOP TO "OPEN SKIES" POLICY AND ADDITIONAL
FREQUENCIES FOR U.S. AIRLINES

1. PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND LOCAL TOURIST
INDUSTRY CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR INCREASED FREQUENCIES
FOR FOREIGN AIRLINES LANDING IN PHILIPPINES. THE ISSUE
HAS BECOME FRONT PAGE COPY IN THE LAST FEW DAYS AS A
RESULT OF PUBLIC HEARINGS WHICH PRES. MARCOS HAS ORGANIZED
TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC PLANNING. PHILIPPINE HOTEL INDUSTRY
IS SUBSTANTIALLY OVERBUILT AT PRESENT AND LOW
OCCUPANCY RATES AND FINANCIAL LOSSES HAVE INSPIRED
BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO THROW THEIR
WEIGHT BEHIND TOURIST INDUSTRY'S PLEA FOR ADDITIONAL
FLIGHTS. ONLY PAL REMAINS OPPOSED, CLAIMING THAT THESE
ADDITIONAL FLIGHTS SHOULD NOT BE GIVEN AWAY BUT SHOULD
INSTEAD BE USED AS BARGAINING CHIPS TO GAIN BETTER ACCESS
FOR PAL INTO LUCRATIVE U.S. EUROPEAN AND JAPANESE
MARKETS.

2. COMMENTS: THE MOVE TO INCREASE TOURIST VOLUME
BY AUGMENTING FREQUENCIES OF FLIGHTS HAS BEEN AFOOT
FOR SOME TIME, AND THE IDEA WAS EMBODIED LAST YEAR
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IN LETTER OF INSTRUCTION 417, THE SO-CALLED
"OPEN SKIES" LOI. PAL HAS, HOWEVER, ALWAYS
MANAGED TO BLOCK APPLICATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL
FREQUENCIES FOR AIRLINES SUCH AS PANAM, NORTHWEST
AND JAL. AIRLINE INDUSTRY OFFICIALS BELIEVE
THAT PAL HAS FINALLY LOST THE BATTLE AND ADDITIONAL
FREQUENCIES WILL BE GRANTED, BUT IN VIEW OF PAL'S

SUCCESS IN BLOCKING ADDITIONAL FREQUENCIES IN
THE PAST, NO ONE IS MAKING ANY HEAVY BETS ON
PRESIDENT MARCOS' FINAL DECISION.
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